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SUBJECT: TURKISH CYPRIOT REACTION TO STALEMATE IN NEGOTIATIONS

1. TFSC "PRESIDENT" DENKTASH HAS BEEN AWAY FROM  
CYPRUS SINCE APRIL 22. OTHER TURKISH CYPRIOT PRINCIPALS  
IN NEGOTIATIONS HAVE ONLY RECENTLY RETURNED TO CYPRUS  
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FROM "ENLIGHTENMENT ACTIVITIES" IN EUROPE. MEANWHILE,  
NEW OREK ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN TOTALLY PREOCCUPIED  
WITH QUOTIDIAN DOMESTIC POLITICAL SQUABBLING AND TFSC  
ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

2. IN DENKTASH'S ABSENCE THERE IS NO LOCAL LEADERSHIP  
RETHINKING OF THE CURRENT TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS OR

CONJECTURE ON POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES TO INTERCOMMUNAL NEGOTIATIONS. UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED, THE POLICY LINE HERE WILL REMAIN THAT CONCRETE AND SUBSTANTIVE PROPOSALS WERE GIVEN TO WALDHEIM AND NOW IT IS HIS DUTY TO SET A DATE FOR RESUMPTION OF TALKS. ALTHOUGH THEY ANTICIPATED THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS WOULD NOT RESPOND POSITIVELY TO PROPOSALS, TURKISH CYPRIOTS SEEM TO HAVE BEEN SURPRISED AND DISMAYED BY WALDHEIM'S DECISION TO CONTINUE TO CONSULT THE TWO PARTIES. HIS REFUSAL TO CALL FOR TALKS HAS NOT LED TO ANY PUBLIC ANALYSIS (OR CRITICISM) OF THE PROPOSALS IN THE TURKISH CYPRIOT COMMUNITIES NOR HAVE WE HEARD IN CONVERSATIONS ANY INDICATIONS OF SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT THE RIGIDITY OF THE PROPOSALS AS PRESENTED.

3. ONLY POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE TO CURRENT SITUATION WOULD BE A DECISION BY ECEVIT, RATIFIED BY DENKTASH, TO GIVE EXPLICIT EXPLANATIONS OF TURKISH PROPOSALS, PARTICULARLY ON TERRITORY AND VAROSHA. EVEN THEN IT IS UNLIKELY THAT ANY SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE IN PROPOSALS COULD BE MADE WITHOUT PRO FORMA CONSULTATIONS WITH TFSC CABINET AND ASSEMBLY.

4. OUTCOME OF EMBARGO DELIBERATIONS AND GOT REACTION WILL DETERMINE FUTURE TURKISH CYPRIOT THINKING ON THE PROPOSALS. FAILURE TO LIFT EMBARGO COULD GIVE CONFIDENTIAL

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FURTHER STRENGTH TO DENKTASH'S DESIRE FOR UDI. AFTER FOUR YEARS OF STALEMATE, AND IN LIGHT OF NEGATIVE GREEK CYPRIOT REACTION TO PROPOSALS, THE IDEA OF UDI AS LAST RECOURSE HAS RECENTLY AGAIN BECOME SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION WITHIN THE TURKISH COMMUNITY. HOWEVER ALL RECOGNIZE THAT ANY DECISION ON UDI CONTINUES TO REST WITH GOT.  
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